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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application:

1. (Cancelled) A method of communication for a confined area of a facility, comprising:
 - receiving personal identification information of a group member into at least one of a set of stations distributed throughout the confined area;
 - receiving monetary deposit information for the member group;
 - receiving transaction information from at least one cashless station; and
 - creating transaction reports.
2. (Cancelled) A method according to claim 1, further including receiving spending limit information for each group member.
3. (Cancelled) A method according to claim 2, further including receiving spending limit change information.
4. (Cancelled) A method according to claim 1, further including determining the total amount of cash spent and displaying said total amount.
5. (Cancelled) A method according to claim 1, further including determining the amount of the cash to be returned to the group member.
6. (Cancelled) A method according to claim 1, further including receiving account information at the cashless station via a personal identification locator.

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7. (Cancelled) A system of communication for a confined area of a facility, comprising:
- means for receiving personal identification information of a group member into at least one of a set of stations distributed throughout the confined area;
- means for receiving monetary deposit information for the member group;
- means for receiving transaction information from at least one cashless station; and
- means for creating transaction reports.
8. (Cancelled) A system according to claim 7, further including means for receiving spending limit information for each group member.
9. (Cancelled) A system according to claim 8, further including means for receiving spending limit change information.
10. (Cancelled) A system according to claim 7, further including means for determining the total amount of cash spent and means for displaying said total amount.
11. (Cancelled) A system according to claim 7, further including means for determining the amount of the cash to be returned to the group member.
12. (Cancelled) A system according to claim 7, further including means for receiving account information at the cashless station via a personal identification locator.
13. (Cancelled) A software system of communication for a confined area of a facility, comprising:

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module for receiving personal identification information of a group member into at least one of a set of stations distributed throughout the confined area;

module for receiving monetary deposit information for the member group;

module for receiving transaction information from at least one cashless station; and

module for creating transaction reports.

14. (Cancelled) A software system according to claim 13, further including module for receiving spending limit information for each group member.
15. (Cancelled) A software system according to claim 14, further including module for spending limit change information.
16. (Cancelled) A software system according to claim 13, further including module for determining the total amount of cash spent and module for displaying said total amount.
17. (Cancelled) A software system according to claim 13, further including module for determining the amount of the cash to be returned to the group member.
18. (Cancelled) A software system according to claim 13, further including module for receiving account information at the cashless station via a personal identification locator.

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19. (Currently Amended) A method of communication for a confined area of a facility, comprising:

providing a transmitter to each member of a group;

receiving personal identification information of each ~~a group~~ member into at least one of a set of stations distributed throughout the confined area;

receiving monetary deposit information for the ~~member~~ group;

receiving transaction information from at least one cashless station;

creating transaction reports; and

receiving account information at the cashless station via the transmitter ~~a personal identification locator~~.

20. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 19, further including receiving spending limit information for each ~~group~~ member.
21. (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 20, further including receiving spending limit change information.
22. (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 19, further including determining the total amount of cash spent and displaying said total amount.
23. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 19, further including determining the amount of the cash to be returned to the ~~group member~~.
24. (Currently Amended) A system of communication for a confined area of a facility, comprising:

a transmitter for each member of a group;

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means for receiving personal identification information of each a group member into at least one of a set of stations distributed throughout the confined area;

means for receiving monetary deposit information for the ~~member~~ group;

means for receiving transaction information from at least one cashless station;

means for creating transaction reports; and

means for receiving account information at the cashless station via the transmitter ~~a personal identification locator~~.

25. (Currently Amended) A system according to claim 24, further including means for receiving spending limit information for each ~~group~~ member.
26. (Previously Presented) A system according to claim 25, further including means for receiving spending limit change information.
27. (Previously Presented) A system according to claim 24, further including means for determining the total amount of cash spent and means for displaying said total amount.
28. (Currently Amended) A system according to claim 24, further including means for determining the amount of the cash to be returned to the ~~group member~~.
29. (Currently Amended) A software system of communication for a confined area of a facility, comprising:

a module for assigning a transmitter to each member of a group;

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a module for receiving personal identification information of each ~~a group~~ member into at least one of a set of stations distributed throughout the confined area;

a module for receiving monetary deposit information for the member group;

a module for receiving transaction information from at least one cashless station;

a module for creating transaction reports; and

a module for receiving account information at the cashless station via the transmitter ~~a personal identification locator~~.

30. (Currently Amended) A software system according to claim 29, further including module for receiving spending limit information for ~~each group~~ member.
31. (Previously Presented) A software system according to claim 30, further including module for receiving spending limit change information.
32. (Previously Presented) A software system according to claim 29, further including module for determining the total amount of cash spent and module for displaying said total amount.
33. (Currently Amended) A software system according to claim 29, further including module for determining the amount of the cash to be returned to the group member.
34. (Currently Amended) A method of communication for a confined area of a facility, comprising:

providing a transmitter to an individual;

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receiving personal identification information of the ~~an~~ individual into at least one of a set of stations distributed throughout the confined area;

receiving monetary deposit information for the individual;

receiving transaction information from at least one cashless station;

creating transaction reports; and

receiving account information at the cashless station via the transmitter ~~a personal identification locator~~.

35. (Currently Amended) A software system of communication for a confined area of a facility, comprising:

a module for assigning a transmitter to an individual;

a module for receiving personal identification information of the ~~an~~ individual into at least one of a set of stations distributed throughout the confined area;

a module for receiving monetary deposit information for the individual;

a module for receiving transaction information from at least one cashless station;

a module for creating transaction reports; and

a module for receiving account information at the cashless station via the transmitter ~~a personal identification locator~~.

36. (Cancelled) A software system of communication for a confined area of a facility, comprising:

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a module for receiving personal identification information of an individual into at least one of a set of stations distributed throughout the confined area;

a module for receiving monetary deposit information for the individual;

a module for receiving transaction information from at least one cashless station;

a module for creating transaction reports; and

a module for receiving account information at the cashless station via a personal identification locator.

37. (New) A system of communication for a confined area of a facility, comprising:

a transmitter for an individual;

means for receiving personal identification information of the individual into at least one of a set of stations distributed throughout the confined area;

means for receiving monetary deposit information for the individual;

means for receiving transaction information from at least one cashless station;

means for creating transaction reports; and

means for receiving account information at the cashless station via the transmitter.